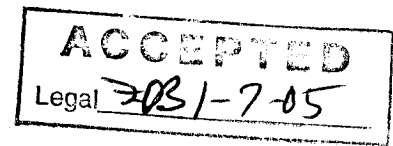




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RE: Notice of Entry of Appearance of Additional Counsel/Substitution of Counsel in
Commission Docket Nos. 97-079-C, 97-080-C, 97-239-C, 2002-338-C, 2003-326-C, 2003-327-
C, 2003-349-C, 2003-335-C, and 2003-358-C

Dear Mr. Terreni:

The purpose of this letter is to respectfully request that I be allowed to enter an
appearance as additional counsel of record (i.e., in addition to Scott Elliott, Esq.) on behalf of
United Telephone Company of the Carolinas and Sprint Communications Company L.P.
(collectively, "Sprint") in the above-referenced dockets. My contact information is as follows:

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We ask that the Commission and parties of record add my contact information to all relevant
certificates of service, and serve Mr. Elliott and me with copies of all future pleadings and
correspondence in these dockets. We also request that the Commission and parties remove
Sprint attorneys Jack Derrick, Esq., and Edward Phillips, Esq., from these aforementioned service
lists.

Enclosed for filing are the original and ten copies of this letter. I have also included an
extra copy, which I ask that you please return to me in the enclosed reply envelope. Thank you
for your assistance, and please call me if you should have any questions.

Sincerely,

William R. Atkinson

WRA/hvp

Attachment

cc: Parties of Record